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\*\*For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

CARREDEN GROUP, INC.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

## CARREDEN GROUP, INC.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Officers and Directors of CARREDEN GROUP, INC.

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Carreden Group, Inc. as at December 31, 2007 and the related statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flows for the year then ended that you are filing pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities and Exchange Commission. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Carreden Group, Inc. as at December 31, 2007, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying supplementary information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by Rule 17a-5 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

DAVID I. WEISS CPA, PLLC

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

February 25, 2008 New York, New York

#### CARREDEN GROUP, INC. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION DECEMBER 31, 2007

#### **ASSETS**

Cash Accounts Receivable Other Receivables Property and Equipment, Net of Accumulated Depreciation of \$41,227 Prepaid Expenses Security Deposits		110,695 463,853 14,891 5,593 15,912 17,829
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$</u>	<u>628,773</u>
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
LIABILITIES Accrued Expenses Income Taxes Payable Deferred Income Tax Payroll Taxes Payable Deferred Revenues  TOTAL LIABILITIES		309,767 300 27,531 12,194 7,087 356,879
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Common Stock, No Par Value, 1000 Shares Authorized, 100 Shares Issued and Outstanding Additional Paid-in Capital Retained Earnings (Deficit)	(	25,000 406,361 159,467)
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		<u>271,894</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

\$ 628,773

### CARREDEN GROUP, INC. STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

REVENUES		
Fee Income	\$ 5,341,499	
Reimbursed Overhead Expenses	<u>772,310</u>	
TOTAL REVENUES		\$ 6,113,809
COST OF REVENUES		
Consulting and Referral Fees	5,237,392	
TOTAL COST OF REVENUES		_5,237,392
GROSS PROFIT		876,417
EXPENSES		
Salaries and Wages	223,356	
Payroll Taxes	17,945	
Promotion and Marketing	22,138	
Travel	29,771	
Professional Fees	39,949	
Depreciation Expense	3,290	
Insurance, including Group Hospitalization	122,851	
Office Expense	22,127	
Rent and Utilities	272,690	
Messenger and Delivery	3,236	
Telephone	66,496	
Dues and Subscriptions	7,305	
Automotive Expense	19,978	
Conference Expense	10,376	
Registration and Regulatory Costs	21,499	
Directors' Fee	12,000	
Other Expenses	441	
TOTAL EXPENSES		895,448
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NET INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE OTHER IN AND PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES	COME AND (EXPENSE)	(19,031)
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)		
Interest Income	6,443	
NASD Members Rebate	35,000	
TOTAL OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)		41,443
NET INCOME BEFORE PROVISION FOR	INCOME TAXES	22,412
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES		4,662
NET INCOME		<u>\$ 17,750</u>
See Notes to Financial Statements	3	

#### CARREDEN GROUP, INC. STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

	Common Stock	Additional Paid-in <u>Capital</u>	Retained <u>Earnings</u>	Total Stockholders' Equity
Balances - January 1, 2007	\$ 25,000	\$ 406,361	\$ (154,217)	\$ 277,144
Shareholders' Distributions			(23,000)	(23,000)
Net Income		<u></u>	17,750	<u>17,750</u>
Balances - December 31, 2007	\$ 25 <u>,000</u>	\$ 406,361	<u>\$ (159,467</u> )	<u>\$ 271,894</u>

#### CARREDEN GROUP, INC. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Net Income Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Applied to Operating Activities Depreciation Expense Changes in Assets and Liabilities: Security Deposits Accounts Receivable Deferred Income Tax Prepaid Expenses Other Receivables Accrued Expenses Payroll Taxes Payable Income Taxes Payable Deferred Revenues	\$	3,290 (1,875) (32,197) 21,494 3,175 (14,492) (238,992) (14,498) (9,052) 7,087		17,750
Total Adjustments			_	(276,060)
Net Cash Applied to Operating Activities				(258,310)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Purchase of Property and Equipment		(3,240)		
Net Cash Applied to Investing Activities				(3,240)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES Shareholders' Distributions	<del></del>	(23,000)	•	
Net Cash Applied to Financing Activities				(23,000)
NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS				(284,550)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - January 1, 2007			_	395,245
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - December 31, 2007			<u>\$_</u>	110,695
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFO Cash Paid During the Year Ended December 31, 2007 for: Income Taxes	<u>ORM</u> 2 \$	ATION: 1,625		

#### CARREDEN GROUP, INC. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

#### NOTE 1 - NATURE OF ORGANIZATION

Carreden Group, Inc. (the "Company") is a Delaware corporation formed October 26, 1990, for the purpose of conducting business as a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. The Company also represents corporate clients in a broad range of transactions, including exclusive sale, merger and acquisition, structured finance and specialty advisory assignments.

The Company transacts its business with customers located primarily throughout the United States.

#### NOTE 2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents:</u> Cash and Cash equivalents are defined as highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

<u>Basis of Accounting:</u> The Company prepares its financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. This basis of accounting involves the application of accrual accounting; consequently, revenues and gains are recognized when earned, and expenses and losses are recognized when incurred.

Accounts Receivable: No allowance for doubtful accounts has been provided for based on prior years' experience and Management's analysis of possible bad debts.

<u>Property and Equipment:</u> Property and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed using accelerated methods over the estimated useful lives of the related assets. Depreciation by this method does not differ materially from the straight-line method over the respective useful lives of the assets.

<u>Provision for Income Taxes:</u> For income tax purposes, the stockholder has elected that the Company be treated under Subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, no provision has been made for Federal income taxes since the net income of the Company is to be included in the tax returns of the individual stockholder.

State and local income taxes are provided based on statutory rates.

# CARREDEN GROUP, INC. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

#### NOTE 2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

In accordance with the Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 109, the objective of accounting for income taxes is to recognize the amount of current and deferred tax liabilities and assets at the date of the financial statements. Deferred tax liabilities and assets result from timing differences of certain transactions between the amounts reported for financial accounting and income tax purposes. The deferred income taxes prevent the tax effect of these timing differences from distorting income applicable for financial statement reporting. The Company recognizes the tax effects primarily in the treatment of receivables and payables.

The components of the provision for corporate income taxes for the year ended December 31, 2007 consisted of the following:

	<u>Federal</u>	Federal State		<u>Total</u>
Provision for Current Income Taxes	\$	\$ 1,325	\$ 300	\$ 1,625
Provision for Deferred Income Taxes			3,037	3,037
Total Provision for Income Taxes	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 1,325</u>	<u>\$_3,337</u>	<u>\$ 4,662</u>

<u>Use of Estimates:</u> The preparation of the Company's financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires the Company to make estimates and assumptions as to the reported amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Management believes that the estimates utilized in preparing its financial statements are reasonable and prudent; however, actual results could differ from these estimates.

#### NOTE 3 - PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment are comprised of the following:

	<u>Cost</u>
Office Equipment and Furniture and Fixtures	\$ 46,820
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	41,227
Total	<u>\$ 5,593</u>

#### CARREDEN GROUP, INC. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

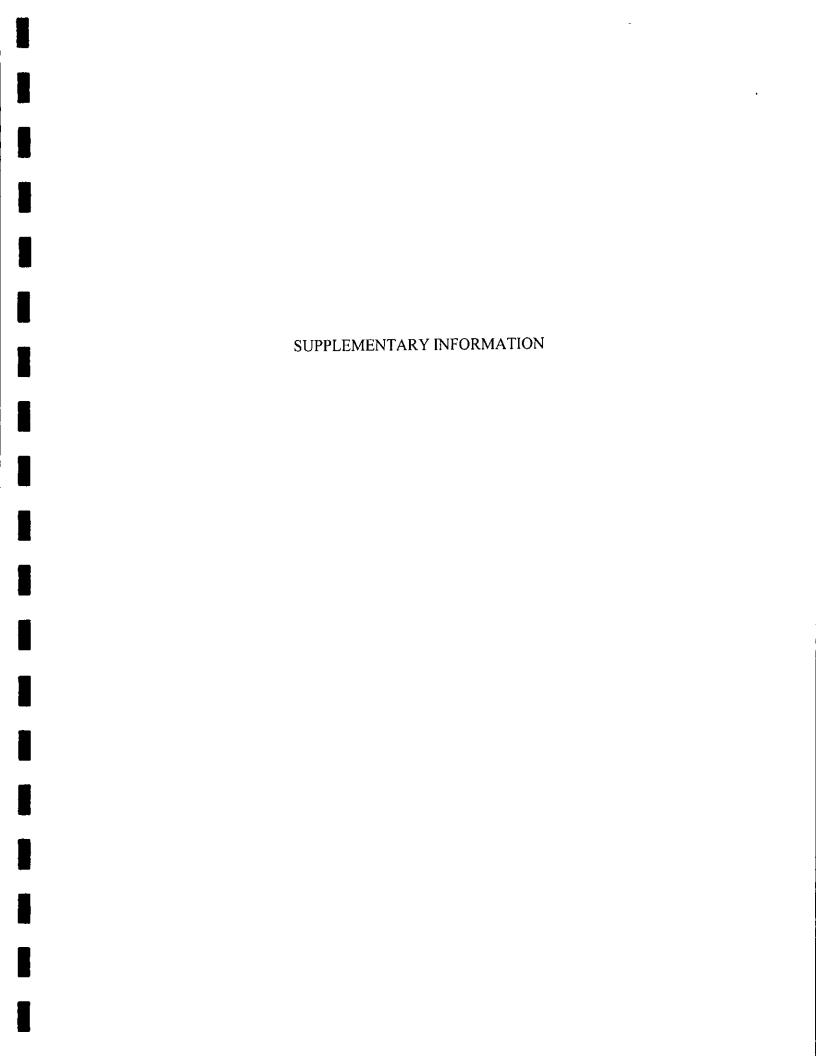
#### NOTE 4 - NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT

As a registered broker-dealer and member organization of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., the Company is subject to the Uniform Net Capital Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. In accordance with the rule the broker-dealer is required to maintain a minimum net capital of \$5,000. At December 31, 2007 the Company had net capital of \$58,770, which exceeded its requirement of \$5,000 by \$53,770.

#### NOTE 5 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Company leases space under an agreement expiring June 30, 2008, and reflects these payments as rental expense in the periods to which they relate. The approximate aggregate minimum noncanceled commitment for the leased premises over the next five years ending December 31:

Year	4	<u>Amount</u>		
2008	\$	45,000		
2009				
2010				
2011				
2012				



# CARREDEN GROUP, INC. COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL PURSUANT TO UNIFORM NET CAPITAL RULE 15c3-1 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION DECEMBER 31, 2007

#### **COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL**

STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			\$	271,894
DEDUCTIONS AND/OR (CHARGES) NONALLOWABLE ASSETS/LIABILITIES Accounts Receivable Property and Equipment, Net Security Deposits Prepaid Expenses Other Receivables	\$	158,899 5,593 17,829 15,912 14,891		
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS AND/OR (CHARGES)			_	213,124
NET CAPITAL, AS DEFINED				58,770
MINIMUM NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT, the greater of 6 2/3% of Qualified Aggregate Indebtedness, or \$5000	•		_	5,000
NET CAPITAL IN EXCESS OF REQUIREMENT			<u>\$</u>	53,770

The difference between the net capital in excess of requirement in the above computation and the computation included in the Company's corresponding unaudited Focus Report Form X-17A-5 Part IIA filing is due to net year-end audit adjustments totaling approximately \$2,800.

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROL REQUIRED BY RULE 17a-5 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

To the Officers and Directors of CARREDEN GROUP, INC.

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements and supplemental schedule of Carreden Group, Inc. (the "Company") for the year ended December 31, 2007, we considered its internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company, including tests of compliance with such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in Rule 17a-5(g), in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness (or aggregate debits) and net capital under Rule 17a-3(a)(II) and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

- 1. Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications and comparisons.
- 2. Recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13.
- 3. Complying with the requirements of prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of controls and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph, and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in any internal control or the practices and procedures referred to above, error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

Our consideration of internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in internal control that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, we noted no matters involving internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above, except for:

The size of the business and resultant limited number of employees imposes practical limitations on the effectiveness of those internal control procedures that depend on the segregation of duties. Since this condition is inherent in the size of the Company, the specific weaknesses are not described herein and, alternatively, greater reliance must be placed on surveillance by management.

The foregoing condition was considered in determining the nature, timing and extent of the procedures to be performed in our audit of the financial statements of Carreden Group, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2007 and this report does not effect our report thereon dated February 25, 2008. We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures were adequate at December 31, 2007, to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the management of the Company, the SEC, New York Stock Exchange and other regulatory agencies that rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specific parties.

DAVID I. WEISS CPA, PLLC

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February 25, 2008 New York, New York

